

PRESS RELEASE

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Second converter with lamella suspension system

at the Gijon works

SMS Siemag modernizes converter at ArcelorMittal

In October 2011, ArcelorMittal Asturias, Spain, has successfully taken a new converter into operation at the Gijon works. The meltshop, which produces heavy plates and rail grades, is equipped with two 120-t converters.

In view of the positive experience with the first converter, ArcelorMittal Asturias decided to install a new vessel with SMS Siemag's lamella suspension system also in its second converter. With the approx. 25 percent higher specific volume, the customer profits from a higher yield since the slopping rate is reduced and the availability of the converter increases.

The order scope for SMS Siemag includes the basic and detail engineering and the supply of the converter vessel, slag skirt, trunnion ring, lamella suspension system and converter tilting drive.

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